(b) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b). According to the information furnished by Aligarh Muslim University, a news-item had appeared in a local newspaper on 7.12.1991 regarding alleged tampering with the marks of some students who had appeared in the M.B.B.S. (First Professional) examination conducted by Jawaharlal Nehru Medical College of Aligarh Muslim University in 1991. Subsequently, the University also received a representation containing similar allegations. The University is looking into the matter.

[*English*]

AIDS Scare at Guru Teg Bahadur Hospital, Delhi

1148. SHRI SURENDRA PAL PATHAK: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item captioned "AIDS scare in Guru Teg Bahadur Hospital, Doctors agitated over lab lapse' appearing in the Hindustan Times dated January 15, 1992; and

(b) if so, the steps proposed to be taken to avoid recurrence of such cases in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Government has seen the News item.

(b) As per report received from Guru Teg Bahadur Hospital no HIV positive blood was issued to the patient (Mr. Shamim, 18 year old male). Patients' mother donated blood at the time of operation and was routinely tested for HIV infection and found positive. The blood was discarded and sent for incineration.

The patient Shamim received three units of blood from three different HIV negative donors. The patient was also tested for HIV test and found negative. Hence there was a no exposure of the hospital staff to possible infection from AIDS virus during the operation. Also, there was no lapse on the part of the Blood Bank at Guru Teg Bahadur Hospital in this case.

So far as the smuggling of chemical/ reagents, used in AIDS kits is concerned, an enquiry was conducted by the Hospital authorities. The reagents kept for incineration was stolen but the culprit was apprehended by the security staff and handed over to the police authorities.

[T*ranslation*]

Veterinary Hospitals in National Parks and sanctuaries

1149. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the facility of veterinary hospital is not available in all the National Parks and Sanctuaries;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the names of the National Parks and Sanctuaries where veterinary hospital facility has been provided alongwith the year-wise expenditure incurred thereon during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) The infor-